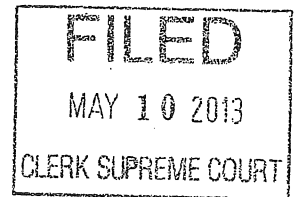


**In the Supreme Court of Iowa**

**In the Matter of the  
Appointment of an Independent  
Special Counsel**

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**Order**



On May 1, 2013, Mike Marshall, Secretary of the Senate, notified the undersigned that the Senate Ethics Committee requested the appointment of an independent special counsel to investigate the first two counts of the complaint brought by Peter Waldron against Senator Kent Sorenson. Pursuant to Iowa Code section 68B.31(7)(a) and Senate Ethics Rule 18(g)(4), Mark Weinhardt, Des Moines, is appointed special counsel for the purpose of investigating the allegations contained in the complaint to determine whether probable cause exists to believe that a violation of Iowa Code chapter 68B has occurred and if an evidentiary hearing on the complaint should be held.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

The Supreme Court of Iowa

By Mark S. Cady  
Mark S. Cady, Chief Justice